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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASON FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

While Applicants do not disagree with the Examiner's determination that the inventions recited in the claims are patentable over the references of record, Applicants object to the reasons for allowance (RFA) as being inaccurate and confusing. For example, the RFA is vague and confusing in its attempt to provide the reasons of allowance, in one sentence, a statement allegedly applicable for two different sets of independent claims (i.e., claims 1 and 9) which contain different language and define separate inventions.

Indeèd, each of the claims in this application defines a separate invention, which recites different combinations of features, and the basis for the patentability of each claim is based upon the totality of features recited in the claim. The mixing and matching of different claim limitations from different claims renders the RFA vague and indefinite, and possibly subject to interpretations not anticipated by the Examiner or the Applicants.

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Moreover, while Applicants believes that the claims are allowable, Applicants do not acquiesce that the patentability resides in each feature exactly as expressed in the claims, nor that each feature is required for patentability of each claim.

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